

## Montana Office of Public Instruction

The Montana Tobacco Free School Excellence Initiative (MTFSEI) was established in 2009 to help school districts and communities prevent and reduce tobacco use by promoting comprehensive tobacco free policy in schools.

Tobacco use remains the leading cause of preventable death in the United States.<sup>1</sup>
More than one in four Montana high school students use some form of tobacco.<sup>2</sup>
Montana high school students have one of the highest smokeless tobacco user rates in the United States.<sup>2</sup>
Research indicates that 9 out of 10 smokers start smoking by age 18.<sup>3</sup>

Comprehensive tobacco free policy builds a framework that reinforces tobacco free norms and attitudes and helps create a healthy school environment. Tobacco-free policies effectively support and encourage a tobacco-free lifestyle.

The list of school districts distinguished as Montana Tobacco Free School Districts of Excellence continues to grow as more districts adopt comprehensive tobacco free school policy. For more information or to inquire about adding your district to the list of Montana Tobacco Free School Districts of Excellence contact OPI at (406) 444-0785.

Tobacco Use Prevention & Education Program School Districts with Comprehensive Tobacco Free School Policy		
Number of Public School Districts in Montana	Number of School Districts with Comprehensive Policy	Percentage of Districts with Comprehensive Policy
417	263	63%

- 1. Centers for Disease Control and Prevention: <u>Targeting the Nation's Leading Killer</u> (2011)
- 2. Centers for Disease Control: Youth Risk Behavior Survey (2013)
- 3. Report of the Surgeon General: Preventing Tobacco Use Among Youth and Young Adults (2012)



## Montana Tobacco Free School Districts of Excellence - July 2013

Absarokee Public Schools\* Alder-Upper Ruby Elementary Alzada Elementary Amsterdam Elementary Anaconda Public Schools\* Anderson Elementary Arlee Public Schools\* **Arrowhead Elementary** Ashland Elementary **Auchard Creek Elementary** Avon Elementary Ayers Elementary Bainville K-12 Schools Baker K-12 Schools **Basin Elementary** Beaverhead Co. High School Belfry K-12 Schools Belgrade Public Schools\* Belt Public Schools\* Benton Lake Elementary **Biddle Elementary** Big Sandy Public Schools\* **Big Timber Elementary Birney Elementary Bloomfield Elementary Bonner Elementary Boulder Elementary** Bozeman Public Schools\* Bridger K-12 Schools **Broadus Public Schools\* Broadview Public Schools\* Brockton Public Schools\* Butte Public Schools\* Bynum Elementary** 

Cardwell Elementary Carter Elementary Cascade Public Schools\* Centerville Public Schools\* Charlo Public Schools\* Chester-Joplin-Inverness PS\* Cohagen Elementary Colstrip Public Schools\*

Columbia Falls Public Schools\*

Cottonwood Elementary (Custer)

Columbus Public Schools\*

Cooke City Elementary

Cottonwood Elem (Gallatin) Cottonwood Elementary (Hill) Creston Elementary Cut Bank Public Schools\* Darby K-12 Schools **Davey Elementary** Deer Creek Elementary Deer Lodge Elementary Deer Park Elementary Deerfield Elementary Denton Public Schools\* **Divide Elementary** Dodson K-12 Schools **Dupuyer Elementary** Elliston Elementary Ennis K-12 School **Evergreen Elementary** Fair-Mont-Egan Elementary Fishtail Elementary Fortine Elementary Frazer Public Schools\* Frenchtown K-12 Schools Fromberg K-12 Schools Galata Elementary Garrison Elementary

Gallatin Gateway Elementary Gardiner Public Schools\* Geraldine Public Schools\* Gildford Colony Elementary Glendive Public Schools\* Gold Creek Elementary Golden Ridge Elementary

Grant Elementary Grass Range Public Schools\* Greenfield Elementary Greycliff Elementary Hall Elementary Hardin Public Schools\*

Harlem Public Schools\* Harrison K-12 Schools Hawks Home Elementary Hays-Lodge Pole K-12 Schools Helena Flats Elementary Helena Public Schools\* Helmville Elementary

Hobson K-12 Schools

**Huntley Project K-12 Schools** Hysham K-12 Schools Jackson Elementary Jefferson High School Joliet Public Schools\* Jordan Public Schools\* Judith Gap Public Schools\* Kalispell Public Schools\* **Kester Elementary** Kila Elementary

King Colony Elementary Kinsey Elementary Kircher Elementary

Knees (Twin Hills) Elementary Lambert Public Schools\* LaMotte Elementary Laurel Public Schools\* Lavina K-12 Schools Libby K-12 Schools

Liberty (Eagle Creek) Elementary Lima K-12 Schools Lincoln K-12 Schools

**Lindsay Elementary** Livingston Public Schools\*

Malta K-12 Schools Manhattan Public Schools\* McCormick Elementary McLeod Elementary Melrose Elementary Melville Elementary

Missoula County Public Schools\*

Molt Elementary Monforton Elementary Montana City Elementary Morin Elementary

Nashua K-12 Schools

Miami Elementary

No. Harlem Colony Elementary North Star Public Schools\* Noxon Public Schools\*

Nye Elementary Olney-Bissell Elementary Opheim K-12 Schools Ophir K-12 Schools Ovando Elementary Paradise Elementary

Park City Public Schools\* **Pendroy Elementary** Pine Creek Elementary Pine Grove Elementary Plains Public Schools\* Plentywood K-12 Schools Plevna K-12 Schools Pioneer Elementary **Polaris Elementary** Powell County High School

Pryor Public Schools\* Ramsay Elementary Rau Elementary

Reed Point Public Schools\*

Reichle Elementary Richey Public Schools\* Ronan Public Schools\* Rosebud K-12 Schools Ross Elementary Roy K-12 Schools Ryegate K-12 Schools S H Elementary S Y Elementary Saco Public Schools\* Sand Springs Elementary Savage Public Schools\* Shawmut Elementary Shelby Public Schools\*

South Stacey Elementary Spring Creek Colony Elementary Spring Creek Elementary (Big Horn) Spring Creek Elementary (Custer)

Springdale Elementary St. Regis K-12 Schools

Sheridan Public Schools\*

Shields Valley Public Schools\*

Sun River Valley Public Schools\*

Sunburst K-12 Schools

Swan Lake-Salmon Elementary

Terry K-12 Schools

Thompson Falls Public Schools\* Three Forks Public Schools\* Townsend K-12 Schools Trail Creek Elementary Trego Elementary Trinity Elementary

**Trout Creek Elementary** Turner Public Schools\* **Ulm Elementary** Upper West Shore Elementary Valier Public Schools\* Valley View Elementary Vaughn Elementary West Glacier Elementary West Valley Elementary White Sulphur Springs PS\* Whitefish Public Schools\* Whitlash Elementary Wibaux K-12 Schools Willow Creek Public Schools\* Winnett K-12 Schools Wisdom Elementary Wise River Elementary Wolf Creek Elementary Wyola Elementary Yaak Elementary **Zurich Elementary** 

\* Elementary and High School District